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REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen of the Town of Springfield,

For the Year ending March, 1852.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Money paid for Schooling.

District No. 1,	$57 74	District No. 9,	$25 20
" " 2,	15 78	" " 10,	42 14
" " 3,	21 15	" " 11,	23 43
" " 4,	20 92	" " 12,	18 48
" " 5,	26 16	" " 13,	6 11
" " 6,	30 76	" " 14,	14 07
" " 7,	11 15	Part District, James Boyes, &c.,	2 68
" " 8,	22 97		
			$339 14

Minister Money.

Christian Society,	$4 75	
Methodist "	8 43	
Universalist Society,	7 90	
Christian " 1850,	6 11	
		27 19

Paid for building Johnson and Perley Road—		
Job No. 1, Charles D. Sargent,	$23 00	
" 2, Warren Johnson,	87 12	
" 3, Moody & Butman,	150 00	
" 4, " "	104 00	
" 5, Luther C. Moody,	134 78	
" 6, Austin Loverin,	117 94	
Land damage on said road—D. S. Perley,	44 80	
Paid Daniel S. Perley, agent on said road,	5 00	
Whole expense of Johnson and Perley road,		$666 64
Paid cash and interest on execution in favor of Bela Nettleton for Stony Brook Road,	279 48	
Paid Charles Pillsbury for drill lost on road,	1 00	
" Wm. Stocker for overseeing Stony Brook Road in 1850,	4 70	
" Thomas Eastman for work on Stony Brook Road,	12 25	
" Luther C. Moody for building the gulf job on Stony Brook Road,	70 00	
Whole expense on Stony Brook Road		367 43

Paid Joseph Davis, jr., for services as Clerk enrolling militia, 2½ days,		2 50
" Luther Fiske, repairing Gay bridge,		4 75
" Joseph Davis, jr., for overtax, 1851,		1 00
" Richard F. Sanborn, 1 day pauper case,		1 00
" " " for 1 day on Croydon and Springfield town line,		1 25
" " " surveying on Brown Road 1 day,		1 00
" " " 1 day surveying town line,		1 25
" John R. Heath for overtax,		83
" Abijah Powers, Moses Pillsbury and Moses Pillsbury, jr., land damage and interest on the same,		36 05
Paid Merrill & Johnson's bill as follows—		
March 27, 1850, 1 barrel flour,	6 75	
1 quire paper,	17	
June 8, 2 quarts medicine,	25	
1 basket,	38	
4 10 quart tin pans,	1 00	
June 17, 1 barrel flour,	6 75	
July 13, 1 scythe,	1 00	
July 31, 1 bag fine salt,	25	
1 pair ox-bows,	50	
½ bushel salt,	33	
27 pounds flour,	1 00	
1 peck basket,	17	
15 pounds fish,	60	
Paying William Gilman,	3 00	
Goods,	76	
1 axe and handle,	1 35	
1851— ½ bushel herds grass seed,	1 50	
8 pounds clover seed,	1 00	
1 kit mackerel,	1 67	
16 pounds codfish,	64	
6 quarts beans,	38	
17¼ pounds halibut,	69	
1 hoe,	58	
8½ pounds halibut,	34	
6 quarts medicine,	75	
fish,	85	
Interest on account for 1850,	1 75	
		34 41
Cr.—By chickens and feetings,	2 05	
7 pounds calfskins,	77	
7 " "	77	
Cash,	3 00	
		6 59
Balance paid Merrill & Johnson,		27 82
Paid Sam'l Stevens, 2d, for labor on his road, money voted by town,		50 00
" Dudley Stevens, balance due him for labor on Pond Road in 1849,		1 20
" Warren Johnson for school house tax in school district No. 12,		50 00
" Dr. Valentine Manahan for six visits and medicine at poor farm,		4 50
Paid Moses H. Loverin, blacksmith bill—		
For repairing harrow,	47	
" mending hoe,	20	
" shoeing ox all round, ½ new,	1 34	
" 1 ox shoe and setting,	13	
" 6 ox shoes, setting 8,	75	
" shoeing all round, ½ new,	1 34	
		4 43

Paid J. B. Hovey as follows—		
1 day on town house committee,	1 00	
Receipts for non-resident highway tax,	8 34	
For paying soldiers, by vote of the town,	40 50	
" collecting $2501 19 taxes,	22 51	
" town farm tax,	6 65	
" mistake in his bond,	22 13	
" illegal taxes assessed in 1851,	10 71	
		111 84
Paid James Dickey for repairing bridge in his district, and plank for the same,		7 08
Paid George W. Perkins for four stringers to bridge, in 1849,		3 00
Paid John B. Dwelle—		
For postage on five letters, 1850,	25	
" 1 pitchfork,	50	
" 1 pair shoes,	1 17	
		1 92
Paid Sam'l Maxfield for goods furnished for poor farm in 1849—		
½ pound tea,	30	
3 balls twine,	15	
1 pair shoes,	93	
1 axe and handle,	1 20	
5 pounds nails,	20	
		2 78
Paid Jas. M. Daniels for school house tax in district No. 5,		1 24
" Joseph M. Robie for 400 feet of plank for repairing bridge,		1 60
" Israel Hunting for work repairing highway in his district in 1850,		6 10
" Charles Kibbee for illegal tax, 1851,		2 50
Paid Joseph Sullaway—		
For shoeing oxen,	1 50	
" mending chains, &c.	44	
		1 94
Paid James Flanders for cleaning school house Dist. No. 1, by vote of town,		70
Paid Sargent Heath for overtax in 1851,		83
" Abraham S. Philbrick for overtax, 1848, 1849, 1850 and 1851,		8 73
" John M. Philbrick for laber building Pond Road in 1849,		2 72
Paid John C. Nichols—		
2 days on militia rolls and returns,	2 00	
Illegal tax and cost advertising, 1850,	3 65	
		5 65
Paid Joseph Nichols—		
1850—for visit and medicine for Mrs. Fowler,	1 25	
visit and medicine, town farm,	75	
1851—services as committee, town house,	1 00	
1 day examining school teachers,	50	
visiting two schools,	1 00	
		4 50
Paid Levi Richardson—		
For warning and attending jury meeting,	75	
" " " "	75	
" services as town clerk,	8 00	
		9 50

Paid Willard Corliss for repairing two bridges, and plank,		1 17
Paid Richard Sanborn—		
For services on town house committee and boarding Mr. Carr 2 days,	2 00	
For services as auditor,	1 00	
		3 00
Paid Samuel Quimby for services as auditor,		1 00
Paid James M. Daniels for services as selectman, as follows—		
3½ days taking inventory,	3 50	
5 days making taxes,	5 00	
1 day on Croydon and Springfield line,	1 00	
½ day on Stony Brook Road,	50	
1 day selling Johnson Road,	1 00	
½ day on Brown's Mill Road,	50	
½ day examining road for Jepthah Russell,	50	
1 day on Grantham, Croydon and Springfield town line,	1 00	
½ day on Stony Brook Road,	50	
1 day to Newport on town business,	1 00	
Use of horse and expense to Newport,	1 50	
½ day on Elihu Chase road,	50	
1 day to Ira Sanborn's and town farm,	1 00	
½ day on Asa Chase road,	50	
½ day to town farm,	50	
1 day making school orders, &c.,	1 00	
½ day regulating jury box, &c.,	50	
1 day on town business,	1 00	
1 day to town farm appraising property,	1 00	
1 day making warrant and check list,	1 00	
1 day settling up,	1 00	
		24 00
Paid Thomas Eastman, services as selectman, as follows—		
3 days taking inventory,	3 00	
5 days making taxes,	5 00	
1 day perambulating line, &c.,	1 00	
Part of day selling Brook Road,	34	
1 day selling Johnson Road,	1 00	
¾ day on Croydon and Springfield line,	75	
½ day on Stony Brook Road,	50	
Attending 2 jury meetings,	50	
½ day regulating jury box, &c.,	50	
½ day's work on road near Grantham line, turning water,	50	
1 day making orders and settling,	1 00	
1 day settling,	1 00	
Cash paid Wm. Osborn for room,	50	
		15 89
Paid Joseph W. Hill for services as Selectman—		
3 days taking Inventory,	3 00	
5 days making taxes,	5 00	
½ day on Brown's mill pond,	50	
Examining Silas Rollins' road,	50	
½ day to Ira Sanborn's on pauper case,	50	
Several visits to town farm,	2 00	
		$11 50
Paid William D. Colby, repairing bridges,		1 00

Paid Daniel N. Adams' bill—

1851.—Postage, 1 letter,	05	
making school report for 1850,	75	
1 quire paper,	21	
1 bushel corn,	92	
½ " salt,	29	
1 barrel flour,	5 63	
½ bushel beans,	50	
½ " salt,	29	
29½ pounds clear pork, 9c,	3 69	
1 bushel corn,	96	
1 " beans,	1 12	
1 barrel flour,	5 25	
2 pounds nails,	08	
1 pound best tobacco,	34	
48½ pounds clear pork,	6 06	
1½ bushel salt,	83	
1 scythe stone,	05	
2 rakes,	42	
1 cast steel scythe,	84	
1 scythe snaithe,	75	
1 butter tub,	25	
1 barrel flour,	5 38	
balance on goods,	18	
1 gallon molasses,	28	
½ pound best tea,	32	
1 bushel salt,	55	
½ bushel beans,	56	
1 day to Newport with Mr. Daniels,	1 50	
8 pounds clear pork,	1 00	
9¼ pounds cod fish,	37	
47 pounds flour,	1 30	
3 " nails,	12	
½ pound tobacco,	17	
48 pounds flour,	1 44	
1 bag fine salt,	25	
26 pounds pork,	3 12	
40½ " flour,	1 11	
1 bottle ink,	08	
1 iron shovel,	55	
90 pounds shoat, 4¾c,	4 28	
molasses hdg.,	50	
½ quire paper,	10	
½ gallon lamp oil,	56	
½ gallon molasses,	15	
1 pound young hyson tea,	50	
1 bushel corn,	92	
1 quire paper,	17	
examining 15 school teachers,	3 75	
visiting schools, 10 visits,	5 00	
making up school report,	1 00	
services on town house committee,	1 00	
" as auditor,	1 00	
		$66 49
Cr.—By balance on butter,	1 00	
95 pounds wool, 38c,	36 10	
Balance on poultry,	2 26	
		39 36
Leaving balance paid to Adams,		$27 13

Paid Joseph S. Bartlett for—
Services visiting schools, examining school teachers and making report, ... 5 00
Paid Jonathan Currier's bill on the town farm as follows:—
Paying Harvey Sweatt for 2 bushels wheat, ... 2 50
" " " " 1 bushel corn, ... 84
2½ pounds wool, ... 1 00
" Edward Tuck for 3½ bushels seed wheat, ... 5 25
" David B. Colcord for carding wool, ... 1 64
" for goods to C. H. Melendy, ... 1 20
" Talbot for threshing, ... 1 64
" George Fuller for potatoes, ... 50
" J. B. Dwelle 26 days haying, ... 22 50
" Sargent Heath 6 bushels potatoes, ... 2 70
" J. H. Clifford for 7 " " 3 50
" Jas. McDaniels 295 pounds beef, ... 14 75
services one year on town farm, ... 112 00
——— $170 02

Cr.—Cash received of J. W. Hill, ... 8 00
5 sheep sold to Tuck, ... 10 00
1200 feet hemlock boards, ... 5 00
1 empty hogshead, ... 42
Lost time from the farm, ... 10 00
——— $33 42

Balance paid to Currier, ... $136 60

Paid Mark P. Burnham note and interest, ... 83 73
" Sophia Colley on note, ... 82 00
" bank of Lebanon, ... 303 75
" Reuben for support of Biley Hardy and wife, ... 50 67
" Elias Powers for perambulating line, ... 2 00
" Metcalf and Corbin for services, ... 12 50
" Joel Whittemore on note, ... 300 00
" State tax for 1851, ... 157 20
" County tax for 1851, ... 113 86
Abating taxes as follows:—
Willard B. Fisher, ... 2 50
Franklin Randall, ... 2 50
Warren Simons, ... 2 50
Moses E. Flanders, ... 2 50
Lorenzo Heath, ... 2 50
George Tucker, ... 2 50
Ansel Robinson, ... 2 50
——— $17 50

Total amount paid out by the Selectmen, ... 3109 86
Now due on collector's bond for 1851, ... 100 00
Balance of cash in the hands of the Selectmen, ... 596 62
———$3806 48

The Selectmen have received the following sums:—
Amount of taxes assessed for the year 1851, including non-resident, highway and school house taxes, in school district No. 12, ... 2523 32
Cash on hand March 10, 1851, ... 66 22
" borrowed of James Hutchins, ... 103 75
" " " Elizabeth Hoyt, ... 100 00
" received on J. C. Nichol's bond, being collector's bond for 1850, ... 572 81
" received of the town of Croydon, on Stony Brook road, .. 10 00

Cash borrowed of bank of Lebanon,	295 35	
" literary fund for 1851,	65 50	
" received of Ph. Loverin, 1849, bond,	45 50	
" " on collector's bond for 1847,	4 68	
" " of Joseph W. Hill for stock sold from town farm,	19 35	
Total amount of receipts,		$3806 42

The town of Springfield is indebted in the following sums:—

To Samuel Quimby,	1678 32	
" Sophia Colby,	146 41	
" James Hutchins,	109 00	
" Asa Chase, Jr.,	63 40	
" Wm. Washburn, road damage,	75 00	
" Paul M. Clark, " "	20 00	
" Elizabeth Hoyt,	104 50	
" bank of Lebanon,	305 00	
" Joel Whittemore,	610 00	
" Joseph Nichols, for expenses of moving and fitting up town house,	412 57	
" Reuben Kidder for support of Biley Hardy and wife for 1851,	50 00	
" Frances L. Fuller for cash,	245 00	
" Jeremiah Philbrick,	43 00	
" Joseph Davis, Jr.	110 00	
" Elihu Chase for building road,	250 00	
" individuals for town house pews,	35 00	
" the meeting house Co. for work finishing outside of town house, about,	150 00	
		$4407 20
Thomas Eastman has a claim for work on gulf job Stony Brook road, for		54 00
Total amount of debts, including the Eastman claim,		$4461 20

Available funds belonging to the town, as follows:—

Cash in hands of Selectmen,	596 62	
" due on collector's bond, 1851,	100 00	
		$696 62
Leaving the town actually in debt over the available funds, including the Eastman debt,	3764 58	

Report on the Town Farm.

Property on hand February 21, 1852—

12 tons of hay, at $8 00,	96 00	
1 yoke of oxen,	80 00	
2 cows,	40 00	
2 yearlings,	12 00	
50 sheep,	110 00	
1 shoat, 130 lbs.,	7 00	
6 hens,	1 50	
80 pounds pork,	8 00	
100 " beef,	5 00	
4 " butter,	50	
10 " soap greese,	50	
4 bushels wheat,	5 00	
5 " oats,	1 67	
20 " potatoes,	5 00	
4 pounds of rolls,	2 00	
25 pounds flour,	1 00	
1 bushel corn meal,	92	
1000 shingles,	1 75	
6 cords of wood,	6 00	
1½ tons oat and wheat straw,	3 50	
		$387 35

Income from the town farm for 1851—

Cash received for 2 heifers sold,	41 00	
For 5 sheep sold,	10 00	
" 1200 feet boards,	5 00	
" 95 pounds wool, 38c,	36 10	
" poultry,	2 26	
" butter,	1 00	
	——	$95 36

Expenses.

Paid Jonathan Currier for work,	102 00	
" " " " provisions, &c., (see his bill,)	58 00	
Daniel N. Adams, provisions and goods,	51 00	
Joseph W. Hill, for 20 bushels potatoes,	9 00	
" " " " cook stove,	3 50	
M. H. Loverin's blacksmith bill,	4 23	
J. Sullaway's blacksmith bill,	1 94	
Merrill & Johnson for goods,	8 40	
Personal services of Selectmen, on account of town farm,	5 00	
	——	$243 07
Add for interest on farm and personal property,		60 00
		303 07
Income deducted,	95 37	
Actual expense of supporting paupers on the farm,	207 71	

Average number of paupers on the farm 4, making the cost to each pauper $51 93, or very near 1 dollar per week.

The amount of personal property on the farm is very near the same as last year. All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McDANIELS,
THOMAS EASTMAN,
Selectmen of Springfield.